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CREATION OF DIVISION TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) FOR SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL HEALTH AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS

To: Education Program Supervisors
Public School District Supervisors
Elementary/ Secondary School Principals
All Health and Nutrition Personnel

- 1. Reports and feedback by Health and Nutrition personnel, Fit for School Project Officer and visitors indicated that the implementation of the Essential Health Care Program (EHCP) among the schools in this division is becoming lax and been given less attention, as evidenced by the unopened new toothbrushes still covered and toothpaste bottle still full-to-the neck inspite that its already end of the school year. Furthermore, Audit Report regarding Handwashing facilities submitted by the Commission on Audit (COA) State Auditor Team done for CY 2009-2012 revealed remarks such as: destroyed/ bursting pipes; only one/ no faucet at all; no water; very dirty around the area; very poor; destroyed feed trap and drainage; faucet are loose threads and dripping, waste of water and money; Handwashing facility non- functional.
- 2. Cognizant of the role and impact of the Health and Nutrition Program to address Education For All (EPA) and Millenium Development Goals (MDGs) as stipulated in DepED Order 43, s. 2011, that Health and Nutrition Programs is one of the key component of the Department's thrust, is designed to maintain and improve the health of schoolchildren by preventing diseases, promoting health-related knowledge, attitude, skill and practices.
- 3. For this purpose, the active participation of other government organization (GO's), Local Government Units (LGU's), Non-government Organizations (NGO's) Professional Associations, other Private Sector Group and concerned individuals shall be intensified by enlisting their involvement in the preventive health care, poverty alleviation, hunger mitigation, public health awareness campaign and other programs armed at promoting the health and nutritional status of the schoolchildren and school personnel.
- 4. All PSDS, Elementary and Secondary School Principals and School Officials shall take the lead in ensuring that School Health and Nutrition Programs/ Projects are integrated in the District/ School Annual and Medium –term Plans and School Improvement Plans (SIP's) with Adminstrative and Financial Support, in line with the School Based Management (SBM) principles. All School Health and Nutrition Personnel shall be mobilized to revitalize the implementation of these programs.
- 5. Hereunder, the creation of the Division Technical Working Group (TWG) is necessary in order to monitor, supervise, follow-up, over-see and level-up the sustained implementation of the Health and Nutrition programs as well as the EHCP in the schools.

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All Public School District Supervisors

President of Public Elementary School Association

President of Public Secondary School Principals Association

District / School Nurses Federated PTA President LGU/ Local Officials

Other NGO's, Civic and Religious Organizations

Private Concerned individuals

6. Immediate dissemination of this memorándum is highly enjoined.

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